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John Strong (abt. 1675 - aft. 1703) 🔗 ID/Link/URL/Cite/UserID



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John Strong

Born **about 1675** in **New Kent Co, Virginia** 👤

Son of [father unknown] and [mother unknown]

[sibling(s) unknown]

Husband of **Mary (Sherwood) Strong** — married 1693 in St Peters Parish, New Kent Co, Virginia 👤

Father of [John Strong Jr.](#), [William M Strong](#) and [George Strong](#) DESCENDANTS 🔗

Died **after 1703** after about age 28 in **St Peters Parish, New Kent Co, Virginia** 👤

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Headright Grants Once the crown began to offer headright grants, the criteria was the colonist had to be in the colony for three years, to receive 50 acres of land for themselves and others they brought with them. As there was no way to check, it became very common practice in all the counties to see many people claiming multiple headrights. Everyone did this. So you find the same people transported several times. These documents were created and traded and then used to claim land. So the best that can be determined is to use the earliest date, subtract three years, and then you get an estimated date of arrival. Or not. There were other Stongs in the colony also:

Edward Strong, Lynn Haven parish, claimed by Adam Thoroughgood, Dec 1635^[1] another claim in 1637^[2]

James Strong, Lawnes Creek Parish, Surry County JUne 10, 1642 by George Harding^[3]

James Strong 1653 Lancaster County^[4]

William Strong, already a landowner, mentioned in another patent in 1656 ^[5]

Peter Strong in Accomack County on the Eastern Shore, 1663^[6]

[Andrew Strong](#), New Kent County, 1663^[7] and again in 1666^[8]

William and Mary Strong, Gloucester County, at Mattapony Fort, 1665^[9]

So there are at least six immigrants who are old enough to be the father of this John. It will be good to determine why any of these were ruled out by previous researchers. The point being the entire line is predicated on either two potential fathers when in fact there are an additional six.

Biography

DNA Connections

It may be possible to [confirm](#) family relationships.

Paternal line [Y-chromosome DNA](#) test-takers:

[Mark Strong](#) 🔗: [Family Tree DNA](#) Y-DNA

Test 67 markers, haplogroup R-M269, FTDNA kit #858088 [\[test details\]](#)

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~0.39% [Betty \(Winslett\) Nash](#) 🔗: [AncestryDNA](#), GEDmatch [A574992](#) [\[compare\]](#) [\[test details\]](#)

~0.39% [Donna \(Myers\) Anderson](#) 🔗: [AncestryDNA](#) [\[test details\]](#)

~0.39% [Kenneth Craddock](#) 🔗: [Family Tree DNA](#) Family Finder, GEDmatch [XG4294816](#) [\[compare\]](#) [\[test details\]](#)

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our surname is of English origin, but because virtually all settlers in Virginia were of English Origin. And although we do not know for certain when our Strong ancestor came to America,

John Strong, who was apprenticed in the city of Bristol in England. On October 23, 1672 a Thomas Fisher took on John Strong as an apprentice for four years in the British Colony of Virginia. And this John Strong was believed to have been the Ancestor of our John Strong of New Kent County, Virginia.

William Straunge. Mr. James Rolff, in his book, speculates that the ancestor of our John Strong might have been him. This William Straunge was an indentured servant of Sir George Yeardley. Around 1619 Sir Yeardley returned to England where he was knighted and made Governor of Virginia. He then returned to Virginia in the same year of 1619. Sir Yeardley had employed William Strong (Straunge) while in London, and they returned to Virginia. This William Strong was born in the year 1601 in England and arrived in Virginia in 1619. A lot of information on this William Strong is located in Mr. James Rolff's book.

Another researcher, Robert Strong, who helped in the writing and research of the Strong Family Association of America's publication of "Strong Family Histories Vol. V." believes that our Strong's go back directly to the John Strong of England who came to Virginia in 1672.^[10] John Strong was born before 1667 in England or possibly in New Kent County, Virginia. Some printed references list John as being born around 1667; also 1675 is used predominately. These are both estimates.

John married a Sherwood around 1697 and they both died after 1703 in New Kent County, Virginia.^[11]

The use of the Sherwood surname as a given name going forward from here, along with the family tradition, is the circumstantial evidence that his wife was a Sherwood.

Known Children of John Strong:


John
William
George^[12]

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Ancestry has William Strong listed as the father. So when I imported my tree, it created Strong-4160. Obviously there is not enough sources to ad him as the father, just fyi on other sites William is listed.

Thanks Candice

posted May 07, 2023 by [Candice Cross](#)

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